



Commercial Poultry, Dairy, & Swine Investment Areas

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This document provides eligible investments and is considered to be minimum standards by which an investment area is to be implemented.

Counties shall place a dollar cap on the maximum cost-share of a producer up to \$7,500 for the 12-month period from the execution date of the legal agreement between the administrator and the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board.

Funded participants shall adhere to all local, state, and federal rules and regulations.

Questions concerning these guidelines should be directed to the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy at (502) 564-4627. Application for funds must be directed through the local County Agricultural Development Council(s).

I. Eligible Investment Items for Commercial Poultry Diversification

PREREQUISITES:

- Funded participants are recommended to consult with the UK Poultry Extension Specialist for up-to-date information on building, production equipment, and environmental security.
1. Equipment for litter management (excluding motorized vehicles)
 2. Insect sprayers/cleaning and disinfection equipment
 3. Compost equipment/mortality disposal equipment
 4. Building modifications and energy saving equipment to improve profitability and net income
 5. Alternative water sources
 6. Litter storage buildings for producers in counties where local boards have not made it a priority. Producers receiving funds through the Conservation District for litter facilities are not eligible for this item.
 7. Other equipment essential to provide on-farm value-added processing
 8. One-half the cost of participation in the Kentucky Farm Business Management Program
 9. One-half the cost of membership in a producer-owned marketing cooperative

II. Eligible Investment Items for Dairy Diversification

PREREQUISITES:

- Applicant shall be permitted by the State of Kentucky Milk Safety Branch
1. Milking equipment and generator
 2. Feed ways, forage/TMR mixers, feeding equipment systems, automatic waterers
 3. Calf hutches, palpation rails, hoof trimming chute, free-stall mattresses including waterbeds, specialized equipment for bedding free stalls, and footbaths
 4. Cooling fans, shade cloths and sprinkler systems
 5. Renovation of existing dairy barns or existing tobacco barns into dairy facilities
 6. Construction of new dairy or young stock facilities
 7. Animal and raw milk transport equipment (excluding motorized vehicles)
 8. Cooling and raw milk storage equipment
 9. Animal waste handling and distribution equipment
 10. Equipment essential to provide on-farm value-added processing
 11. Computer hardware and software to assist in performance record keeping and financial management
 12. One half the cost of participation in the Kentucky Farm Business Management Program and Dairy Herd Improvement Association Program
 13. Promotional and advertising materials in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, excludes products or services provided by the KY Department of Agriculture or other state programs.
 14. On-farm direct-to-consumer sales cost-share items:
 - a. Construction of new permanent structures or conversion of existing structures to be used for retail sale of product.

[Meeting rooms, exposition centers, educational facilities and construction or improvements to buildings serving primarily as residences are not eligible cost share items.]
 - b. Site preparation including on-site utility extensions and officially permitted on-site waste treatment facilities
 - c. Refrigerated equipment for storing product
 - d. Display equipment, including refrigerated equipment, to assist in selling of product
 15. Rubber flooring for concrete heavy cow and human traffic area

III. Eligible Investment Areas for Swine Diversification

1. Materials to renovate existing swine facilities or existing tobacco barns into swine facilities
2. Up-to-date equipment (ventilation, feeding, penning, etc.) to improve production efficiency
3. Construction of new swine facilities
4. Feed ingredient and complete diet sampling equipment and analysis
5. Purchase of boar semen to improve the genetic base of the swine herd and/or equipment needed for on-farm collection, processing, storage, and utilization of semen in an artificial insemination program
6. Purchase of up to 20 high quality replacement gilts to improve the genetic base of the swine herd
7. Animal waste handling and distribution equipment
8. Equipment for on-farm pregnancy detection and body condition scoring of sows
9. Equipment essential to provide on-farm value-added processing
10. Refrigerated and non-refrigerated equipment (excluding motorized vehicles) for transporting product
11. Site preparation, including on-site utility extensions and officially permitted on-site waste treatment facilities
12. One-half the cost of membership in a producer-owned marketing cooperative
13. Computer hardware and software to assist in performance, financial, and manure management record-keeping
14. One-half the cost of participation in the Kentucky Farm Business Management Program
15. Promotional and advertising materials in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, excludes products or services provided by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture or other state programs.
16. On-farm direct-to-consumer sales cost-share items:
 - a. Construction of new permanent structures or conversion of existing structures to be used for retail sale of product.
[Meeting rooms, exposition centers, educational facilities, and construction or improvements to buildings serving primarily as residences are not eligible cost share items.]
 - b. Refrigerated equipment for storing product.
 - c. Display equipment, including refrigerated equipment, to assist in selling